



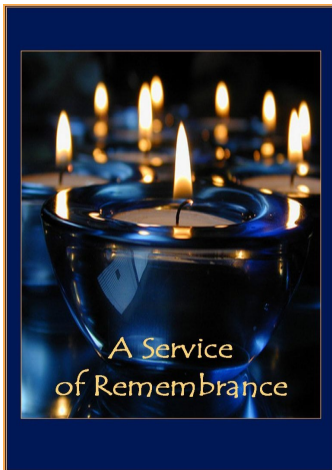
Community Christian Church Lincolnshire, Illinois

November 2011 Newsletter



Remember to set your clocks back at 2am on November 6

A Service of Remembrance Sunday, November 6th



Our Stephen Ministry, Elders, and Fellowship Committee are planning the second annual "Service of Remembrance" for Sunday, November 6th at 4 pm. The "Service of Remembrance" will be held to give each of us an opportunity to remember loved ones, family or friends, who have passed away. Each name will be mentioned as we celebrate their lives with music, poetry and prayers. Those honored need not be members of the church.

The service will be followed by a Pot Luck dinner at 5pm. Click on the evite link below, or call the church office to RSVP for the service and potluck. There will also be a sign up sheet in Friendship Hall for the Pot Luck.

You may submit the name of the person you would like to remember and anything additional you would like said about them to the church office. Please make plans to attend.

To reply, click on the Evite:

http://new.evite.com/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=fb_share_widget&utm_content=fb_link&utm_campaign=invite#view_invite:eid=0113AAQZXGK5ZYQ3IEPBAJRAGR3LY

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**REVIVE! &
ALIVE!**

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Save these Dates!!

November 26

Hanging of the Greens

December 4

*Christmas Cantata
Combined Service **

December 24

Candlelight Service

December 25

*Christmas Combined Service **

January 1

*New Year's Day
Combined Service **

** There will not be an 8am service*

Bryan's Bits

Fall has fallen! The leaves are mounding up on our lawns and there is a crispness to the air. I love fall. For me it brings memories of hayrides, fishing and hunting, Halloween, and one of my very favorite holidays - Thanksgiving! For me Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on the year and count our blessings. What blessings have you experienced this past year? The birth of a child to your family, a special time celebrating a special Birthday or anniversary? A vacation that meant much to you or your family? Maybe you saw spiritual growth or the overcoming of some problem in your life? What has blessed you this past year and causes you to pause and thank God for His wonderful love and the outpouring of His blessings? On Sunday, November 20, 2011 at both of our Thanksgiving Worship Services we will have the opportunity to share our Thanksgiving Blessings with our Church Family. If you want to speak out your blessings to your church family please contact the church office or myself so you can share your experienced blessings with the congregation during our Thanksgiving Worship Service! I have many blessings to share as well and I am excited to speak out of my heart to you my Church Family all the blessings that you have brought to Teresa and I's to make this Thanksgiving truly memorable.

In November we will also have "A Service of Remembrance" that will be on Sunday, November 6, 2011 at 4pm. This service will remember those who have touched our hearts and are no longer with us. We will light candles to honor and remember our loved ones, we will sing, and listen to songs that will soothe both mind and heart, we will listen to those names read aloud and will have a time where a reflection on loss will be shared with us. Please be sure that your loved ones name is submitted to the church office for this time of remembering and healing.

One more thing - Remember that Advent begins November 27, 2011. We will begin to share the hope, love, joy and peace of this season this November and begin to prepare our hearts for the coming of the King of Glory! The Messiah born some 2,000 years ago to come and set us free! I continue to treasure these firsts that I share with you and this first November will bring for me a blessing that will enrich and fill my heart to overflowing. May this time help us to gather together in worship as a family that is excited to meet in the House of the Lord and truly praise Him and share in the abundance of relationship that we have with Christ and with one another. I can't wait for November to come and share with you in these coming seasons of Glory! Blessings.

In His Peace,
Bryan

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Upcoming Events

- 11/5 Men's Breakfast, 8am
- 11/5 Youth Movie Night, 6pm
- 11/6 Service of Remembrance
- 11/6 Daylight Savings Ends
- 11/9 Soup Kitchen, 4pm
- 11/12 Women's Coffee, 8am
- 11/18-20 Youth Summit
- 11/20 Pack Thanksgiving Boxes
- 11/20 General Board, 11:15am
- 11/26 Hanging of the Greens
- 11/27 Advent Begins

Ongoing Events

- Worship Services - Sundays, 8 & 10am
- Sunday School - Sundays, 9-9:30am
- Children's Time - Sundays, 9-9:30am
- Youth Group Meetings - Sundays, 11:30am
- Sermon in the Round - Tuesdays, 10am
- Soup Kitchen - 2nd Wednesday, 4pm
- Choir Practice - Wednesdays, 7pm
- Bible Study - Thursdays, 7pm
- Men's Breakfast - 1st Saturday, 8am
- Women's Coffee Break - 2nd Saturday, 8am

Keep up with CCC events on the website.
Go to the Upcoming Events page on our
website: CCCLincolnshire.org



Contact the Church Office

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Come All Ye Thankful, Come!

Have you been blessed this year? What are you thankful for? If you are interested in sharing your blessing and thankfulness as a brief testimonial in our Thanksgiving worship service on November 20, call Bryan (847 664-0577) or the church office.



Relax ♥ Rejuvenate ♥ Recaffeinate



Don't miss the November Women's coffee on Saturday, November 12th! We start at 8am at Einstein's on Milwaukee. It is free flowing - we come and go when we need to. This is such a great time to sit down, relax, and get to know one another better. Mark your calendars now before things get too busy. Come share some coffee and some laughs to start your day off right!

We are calling all women who would like to help cater the Men's February breakfast meeting. This will be a great way to support the work of the men in the church. Put on your chef's hats and join us Saturday, February 4th.

In May, the women will be hosting a *Mothers and Others* event. The planning is beginning, and Susan is looking for any and all ideas. This will be an opportunity to honor and support the mother in all of us. Whether you have your own children or are a mother figure to a family member or friend, you are welcome. What we do and what we give to one another is so sacred. Let's honor that together in May.

Lastly, there will be a summer day retreat for the women in 2012. Susan is looking for contributors to make this day a worthwhile investment of time and energy for us all.

If you are interested in helping with any of these events, please contact the church office.



The next monthly CCC men's breakfast will take place on **Saturday, November 5, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.** in Thompson Hall. As previously noted, we are trying a new format for the upcoming meetings. Rather than selecting a study book for the upcoming year, we will instead have a series of discussion topics.

For this month's topic, we will continue the discussion begun last month on politics and Christianity. Some questions to consider:

- ♦ Should Christians be actively involved in political debate?
- ♦ What does the US Constitution mean to us as people of faith when it talks about "separation of church and state?"
- ♦ What is a Christian's duty as a citizen when it comes to voting, paying taxes, running for office, etc.?
- ♦ Mike Huckabee, a former Baptist minister, ran on the Republican ticket for President of the US -- is that something a minister should do or be involved in?
- ♦ What does the Bible have to say about politics and a Christian's engagement with the process?

We'll continue to have a McDonald's breakfast menu for those who want to order. And we will continue to wrap up promptly at 9:00 a.m. so everyone can get on with their Saturday.

Please contact the church office if you plan to be there.



CCC Prayers Needed

Michael Swartzentruber, CCC friend and former Minister for Youth and Young Adults, is traveling to Haiti on a Mission Trip the week of November 1st – 8th. He is truly excited about this opportunity for ministry that God has laid upon his heart. He will travel to Haiti with a mission team from Christian Flights International (CFI) in order to conduct life changing mission work in Ranquitte, Haiti. Please keep Michael in your prayers during this amazing time for him and the people whose lives he will touch.

Follow the adventure by reading his blog:
<http://missionhaiti2011.wordpress.com/2011/08/18/my-story/>





Trick or Trunk

On Sunday, October 30, CCC provided a safe Halloween experience for the children of Lincolnshire. It was a wonderful afternoon (thanks for the dry weather, Nelson!) where many CCC friends who came and parked their car in the church parking lot, dressed up their car trunks with Halloween decorations, and passed out wonderful treats for kids of all ages. There were fun, games, fellowship and horsey rides, thanks to Rocky and Trooper! Many thanks also to all of you who opened your trunks and special thanks to Alice and family for their time and effort to plan this wonderful day!



Garage Sale 2011

You've read all the blurbs in the newsletters, all the e-mails, bulletin inserts and signs that pointed you to the garage sale. It is now done for another year. At the time of this writing, it looks as if it has been a very good sale indeed!! If you were one of those who helped in one way or another, our hats are off to you! We have all heard the words, "we couldn't have done it without you" - but.... we couldn't have done it without you - really. Those days of hard work, late dinners, sore muscles and tired feet all helped CCC to help others. You've been told of those who receive our help. A starving child in Africa? Not necessarily, but maybe. A neighbor suffering from unemployment? Probably. A young woman feeling despair because she has no place to go? Could be. There is no face, name or category for those who need us. If you weren't among those who helped because you were too busy or thought that you wouldn't be missed, please know that you were missed. Here are some of the things you missed out on..... Laughter. Hugs. Joy. Fun. Silliness. Hope. Prayer. Fellowship. Friends. Getting to know each other better. That's just the beginning. The reason most of the workers come year after year is to give promise to those less fortunate. Our efforts bring hope to those needing a lift from a prayer, or a hand up. CCC garage sale workers go above and beyond expectations and our customers let us know that they like our sale. Our workers make pretty out of ugly, clean the dirty, nice out of the disgusting, fix the broken and, literally, walk that extra mile. They raise much needed money for our church to extend it's hand to those in need.

We are faced with a bigger-than-you-realize problem. Many who work the sale are beginning to slow down and younger people are desperately needed. Of those who worked on a consistent, daily basis, the average age is probably close to 60-65. While those people are retired and have the time, a few hours here and there would greatly help those old bones that ache at the end of 8 or 10 hours. If you weren't one of those who helped in one way or another, we'd like for you to reconsider joining us next year. We missed you - really, we did. The ball is now in your court and you've got 49 weeks to think about how you can help more next year. The dates for next year's sale are September 23-29. Won't you please put it on your calendar now and promise yourself that you will do a bit more?



CCC's Budgeted Outreach Giving

This year, our church distributes \$24,000 from the general operating fund to nine local area and other worthwhile organizations. Those are:

Disciples Mission Fund
Habitat for Humanity of Lake County
Illinois/Wisconsin Region of our denomination
Northern Illinois Food Bank
PADS Crisis Services
St. Bart's / Waukegan Social Services
St. Martin de Porres High School
Week of Compassion

Lastly, an "angel fund" is maintained to make up any shortfall in such projects as the Thanksgiving boxes for needy families, the Christmas Angel Tree, and other unanticipated needs that come up during the year.

For 2012, we are proposing to increase this budgeted outreach giving to \$24,500. The allocation of this total will be detailed in the budget presented to the congregation at its December 2011 meeting.

CCC Youth Page

Youth SUMMIT: "No Boundaries - No Limits" November 18-20

Please keep us in your prayers for spiritual growth and safe travels to Carlinville for this youth weekend.

Eshy
Jim
Pip
Ashley
Avery
Ruby
Callum

Thank you!

CCC Youth Outreach Project

Our CCC Youth are working with Orphans of the Storm, collecting items to help the animals. Please bring the following items to church on Sunday or to the Church Office during office hours (9am-1pm).

Pet Food

Orphans of the Storm buys food with nutritional content specific to the needs of the orphans. **No other types or brands of food please**, they balance every animal's diet.

- Pedigree (dry), Mighty Dog (canned dog food), Beneful Prepared, and Cesars
- ProPlan (dry kitten food)
- Friskie's and Sheba (canned cat food) and Fancy Feast



Newspaper
Blankets

Towels
Dog bones
Chew bones

Treats
Balls

Cat trees
Toys

Beds
Treats

Human Baby
food

(meat based
only, for sick

cats)
Cat litter

Baking soda

Sturdy dog and
cat combs and
brushes

Paper towels
trash bags

(industrial)
dish soap (Dawn

or Joy)
Mr. Clean

Bleach
toilet brushes

laundry soap
dryer sheets

Orthopedic beds
with pillows

(for older, sick
dogs and cats)

CCC YOUTH ADVENTURES

SOME GREAT EVENTS FOR CCC YOUTH & FRIENDS HAVE BEEN PLANNED AND WE REALLY WANT YOU TO BE THERE!

NOV 5	6PM	MOVIE NIGHT
NOV 9	4-7:30PM	SOUP KITCHEN
NOV 6	AFTER CHURCH	YOUTH GROUP
NOV 13	AFTER CHURCH	YOUTH GROUP
NOV 18-20	4PM, WHEELS ROLL FROM CCC	SUMMIT
NOV 20	AFTER CHURCH	PACK THANKSGIVING FOOD BOXES
NOV 27	AFTER CHURCH	YOUTH GROUP
DEC 4	AFTER CHURCH	YOUTH GROUP
DEC 9-10	FRI 5PM - SAT 9AM	LOCK-IN
DEC 11	AFTER CHURCH	YOUTH GROUP
DEC 14	4-7:30PM	SOUP KITCHEN
DEC 18	11:30AM	CHRISTMAS PARTY





"Ari"

Sunday School at CCC

This fun group of Preschoolers through 6th graders really enjoy learning about the Bible through the rotation style lessons. One Bible story is taught each month through three different hands-on activities each week and a "Culmination Sunday" which reflects on the story after each age group has completed the month's rotation classes. Linda Marder teaches them songs and music, usually incorporating the month's story.

The stories are well-known and a true pleasure to teach, and very rewarding! You can be a big help to CCC kids by volunteering to teach. Please contact the church office.

On Sunday, November 27, the Sunday School children will be making cards for the angel tree. They would like you to donate Christmas Stickers and ribbon to add to our planned cards this year.



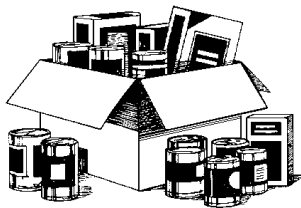
2011-2012 Rotation Lesson Plans

November	Wandering in the Wilderness
December	The Incarnation
January	Feeding the 5000
February	The Lord's Prayer
March	The Last Supper
April	The Walk to Emmaus
May	Paul on the Road

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## Thanksgiving Boxes

Join CCC in making a difference in someone's holiday this year by putting together a box of food for a needy family from the Health Reach Clinic in Mundelein. If you'd like to participate, the Outreach Committee will supply you a complete shopping list and two boxes. We have committed to 15 families, so we need 15 box captains. Feel free to ask other families of friends to "go in" on a box. The cost is approximately \$80-\$100 per box. Boxes are due back on Sunday Morning, November 20. Contact the church office to sign up.



*At Sunday School teacher asked her class why*

*Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem ..*

*At small child replied, 'They couldn't get a baby-sitter.'*

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The General Operating Budget data for September 2011 is as follows:

September income	\$18,499
September expenses	\$22,233
YTD income	\$187,128
YTD expenses	\$183,365

Long Term Prayer List

When a name is put on the long term prayer list, it will remain there for six months. At the end of that time period, it will be removed. If you feel a name needs to stay on the list beyond six months, simply resubmit the name when it is removed and it will gladly be added. You may also submit a name to the long term prayer list by writing the name on a cross and posting it on the prayer board in Friendship Hall.

Amy's family	Ken & family
Ana	Kyle
Ann	Lesli & Bunny
Bill	Lin
Brent	Linda
Caroline & family	Lisa and family
Chris	Maura and Family
Cuptrice	Mike and family
Danielle & Danny	Nan and family
Dawn	Naomi and Natalie
Dianica	National & World
George	Leaders
Gretchen	Nicole and MacKenzie
Helen's family	Noel & Sherri
Jane	Our Stephen Ministry
Jennifer and family	Our Troops
Jim & family	Patrick
Jim & family	Robert
Jim	Robin
Jim and family	Sheldon's family
Joe	Sherry
John and family	Woody

Short Term Prayer List

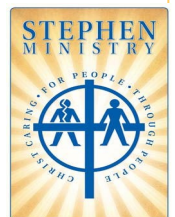
Names added to the short term prayer list will appear for three consecutive weeks, after which, if there is need to continue, they will be moved to the long term prayer list.

Adeline & Joe
 Brian
 Henry
 Howard and Eleanore
 Kara
 Kris
 Nancy
 Rich
 Stephanie



Thankfulness

November is the month that all Americans pause to reflect on our many blessings and celebrate those endless gifts with an enormous meal. It's traditional to "count our blessings" usually beginning with good health, family, friends, living in a great country, etc., etc. But do we ever consider the amazing blessing of God's faithful and endless love? If this, the very best gift of all, has slipped away from you, you may benefit from time with a Stephen Minister. Our congregation has a number of carefully trained and totally confidential ministers who would welcome the opportunity to help. Please call the church office to make the arrangements.



■ CCC Events ■ CCC Youth Groups
■ Troop 78 ■ Committee Meetings

NOVEMBER 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
		■ 10a Sermon in the Round ■ 7p Commissioners	■ 7p Choir Practice	■ 7p Bible Study		■ 8a Men's Breakfast ■ 6p Movie Night
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
■ 8a Worship ■ 9a Bible Study+Kids Time ■ 10a Worship ■ 11:30a Youth Group ■ 4p Service of Remembrance ■ 5p Church Dinner	■ 7p Troop 78	■ 10a Sermon in the Round ■ 7p Roundtable	■ 4p Soup Kitchen ■ 7p Choir Practice	■ 7p Bible Study	Veterans' Day	■ 8a Women's Coffee Break
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
■ 8a Worship ■ 9a Bible Study+Kids Time ■ 10a Worship ■ 11:30a Youth Group	■ 7p Troop 78	■ 10a Sermon in the Round ■ 7p Pack 78	■ 7p Choir Practice	■ 7p Bible Study	■ Summit	■ Summit
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
■ Summit ■ 8a Worship ■ 9a Bible Study+Kids Time ■ 10a Worship ■ 11:15a Gen. Board ■ 11:30a TGiving Boxes	■ 7p Troop 78	■ 10a Sermon in the Round	■ 7p Choir Practice	Thanksgiving Day		■ 9a Hanging Greens
Advent Begins 27	28	29	30			
■ 8a Worship ■ 9a Bible Study+Kids Time ■ 10a Worship ■ 11:30a Youth Group	■ 7p Troop 78	■ 10a Sermon in the Round ■ 6:30p Elders' Training ■ 7p Pack 78	■ 7p Choir Practice			